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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:)	
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Balmer et al.)	Examiner: Fischer, Justin R.
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Serial No.: 09/977,170)	Art Unit: 1733
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Filed: October 12, 2001)	Confirmation No.: 2857
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For: JASPE PATTERN FLOORING)	Docket No.: A148 1550
AND WELDING ROD)	

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 3, 2003. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification: None

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings: None

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.